

FRENCH SUCCESS IS BRILLIANT

SIX PERSONS PERISH IN FACTORY FIRE IN CITY OF PITTSBURG BULGARS ARE ROUTED BY FRENCH AND SERBS AT END OF A BATTLE

Bulgarians Are Stopped on Timok and Austro-Germans on Salve and Danube.

BULGARS ARE INFERIOR

French Commander Characterizes Bulgarian Report of Their Advances.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) SALONIKI, Oct. 25.—French troops operating against the Bulgarians are following up their victory of last Friday and are now threatening Strumitsa, Bulgaria, to which place the Bulgarians retired in disorder. The French are now holding a line running from Vrakli to Khabrovo.

The Bulgarians suffered heavily in the recent engagement from the fire of the French three-inch guns.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PARIS, Oct. 25.—Bulgarian troops engaged with the French on Friday were subjected to a devastating fire by the French artillery and suffered heavy losses, according to a Saloniki despatch. The losses of the French amount to but ten killed and a few score wounded.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, Oct. 25.—French troops routed three divisions of Bulgarians on Saturday on the front of Gradek-Volodovo-Jabrovo in southeastern Serbia, according to a despatch filed at Saloniki October 24 to the Havas News Agency. The Bulgarian forces, the despatch adds, were decimated.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PARIS, Oct. 25.—An important success by the French troops in the Champagne district is announced by the French war office today.

In spite of a fierce resistance, French troops following a preparatory artillery fire occupied an important position known as "La Courline." The losses of the Germans are described as serious and the French took 200 prisoners.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PARIS, Oct. 25.—The French troops achieved a brilliant success by effecting a junction with the Serbs at Kriovak, says a despatch from Athens.

The despatch, dated Sunday, says: "The Bulgarian troops in force were attacking in three columns when our troops by a daring maneuver turned the Bulgarian right flank while the Serbs launched an energetic counter-attack along the front. At the end of the day the Bulgarians retreated in the direction of Strumitsa, pursued by French troops and Serbian cavalry."

"Bulgarian operations against Piro were fruitless. Therefore they seemed to intend to concentrate efforts on Vrahya and are trying attacks en masse on fortifications and positions occupied by the Serbs at Vrahya."

"The Bulgarians are stopped on the Timok, while the Austro-Germans are held up on the northwestern front on the Save and Danube. Military circles here believe that the Austro-Germans will resume the offensive in the north until the Bulgarians by gaining a definite success are able to effect junction with them."

BULGARS' ATTACK QUITE FURIOUS BUT FUTILE

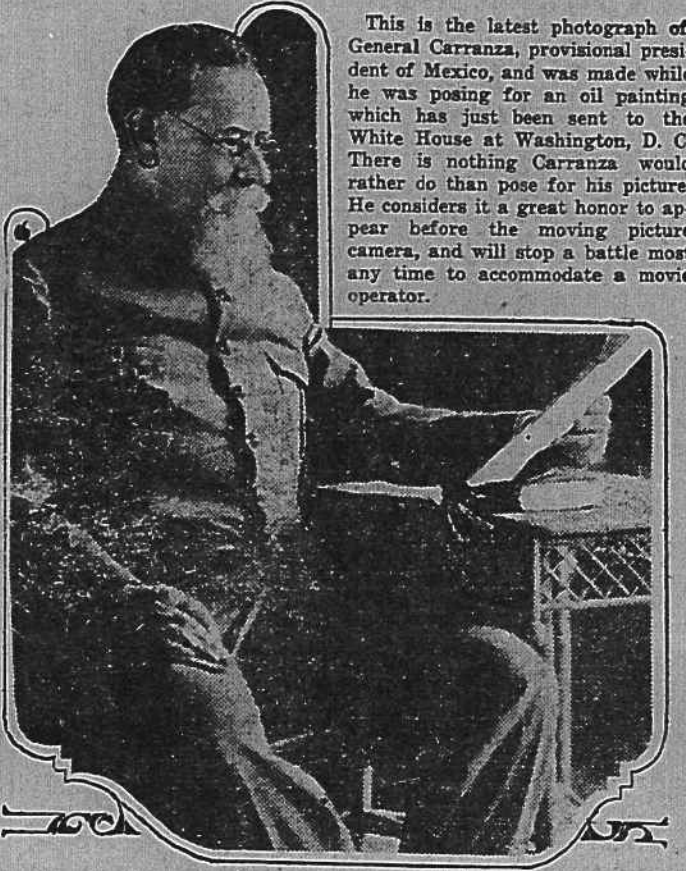
GRADEK, Sept. 25, via Saloniki, Oct. 25, via Paris, Oct. 25.—The double attempt of the Bulgarians to cut the railway at Veles and in the Volodovo sector has been completely defeated. Yesterday, (Friday), the attack on Veles was given up and the entire available Bulgarian strength was directed southward from Istip along the Gradek river spreading out over a five-mile front and comprising the villages of Radobovo, Valandovo, Pirad, Vezel, Kalkovo, Kachova and Hodova, with its objective a short stretch where the railway running along the east bank of the Vardar river between two bridges is most pregnable and the Strumitsa station.

The attack although furious immediately developed the inferiority of the Bulgarians in contact with the experienced troops of France and England. Heavy losses are reported along the entire line. The Bulgarians are withdrawing up the Vardeskar valley, leaving the French in victorious possession of the railway from Saloniki to Negotin, beyond which the line is not threatened.

The French losses were slight. General Sarrail, the French commander in chief, in a statement to the Associated Press characterized the Bulgarian report of their advances as fantastic. Nowhere, he said, have they advanced beyond a few undefended points of no military value close to the frontier.

An offensive movement by the Allies seems to be imminent.

The Greeks seem to be profoundly impressed by the rapidity of the French movement.



This is the latest photograph of General Carranza, provisional president of Mexico, and was made while he was posing for an oil painting which has just been sent to the White House at Washington, D. C. There is nothing Carranza would rather do than pose for his picture. He considers it a great honor to appear before the moving picture camera, and will stop a battle most any time to accommodate a movie operator.

CONFESSION IS MADE BY A GERMAN ARMY MAN TO CONSPIRACY

Fay Admits after All-night Grilling He Was Sent by German Government.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Robert Fay, who claims to be a lieutenant in the German army, and his brother-in-law, Walter L. Sholz, who were arrested yesterday while testing explosives near Grantwood, N. J., were arraigned today before a justice of the peace at Weehawken, N. J., on charges of conspiracy and held without bail for examination tomorrow.

The arraignment of the two men disclosed that a third man called Daecher had been arrested early today at his home in Jersey City after New York and New Jersey police had searched the house. Daecher was also arraigned with Fay and Sholz and held without bail.

Detectives said they expected Daecher to prove a valuable witness as he had already given them much important information. Announcement was made at police headquarters here today that Fay, after an all-night grilling, had made a confession.

For more than twelve hours, it was stated, Fay stuck to his original story that he was not connected with the German government. At 5:30 this morning, according to the commissioner, he broke down and admitted that he was a lieutenant in the German army and came to this country two or three months ago for the specific purpose of experimenting with a machine containing high explosives.

DEATH PENALTY Or Hard Labor Imprisonment for Those Who Possess Arms or Munitions.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) AMSTERDAM, Oct. 25.—A despatch from Brussels to the Telegraph says that General Sauberzweig has reminded the population that a proclamation on January 1 ordered that all arms and ammunition be delivered to the German authorities. The general adds that persons who are found in possession of arms and ammunition after October 25 will be liable to the death penalty or imprisonment at hard labor for at least ten years.

Besides the punishment of guilty persons, communities where they are found will be fined \$2,500 for every case.

SHOT TO DEATH.

CHARLESTON, Oct. 25.—Burke McClure, the Man, Logan county merchant, who shot and killed his wife and her cousin, Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, at the McClure home Saturday, was shot to death by Sheriff Chadlin, of Wyoming county early Sunday morning at the home of his brother-in-law, E. M. Center, of Oceana, Wyoming county.

WHILE NUMBER OF PERSONS ARE MISSING

Salesman of a Stove Company Becomes a Hero by Rescuing Eight Girls.

ANOTHER DOES LIKEWISE

Cleveland Man Also Saves Others while Still Others Jump into Street.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PITTSBURG, Oct. 25.—Five girls and one man employed in the factory of the Union Paper Box Company on the North side are known to be dead, eight are badly injured and a number are missing as the result of a fire, which this afternoon started in the feed store of James Brown and Company and spread to the factory. Firemen searching the ruins of the three-story building recovered the bodies and reinforced by the entire city department continued their search in the dense smoke.

Joseph L. Bash, employed as a salesman by a stove company on the second floor of the building, saw flames shooting up the elevator shaft. Running to a window to give the alarm he noticed a number of girls from the box factory leaning out of an upper window. Calling on them to jump he caught them one after another lowering them to the ground until eight were safe.

A. G. Seagle, another stove salesman, did the same thing at another window and added six girls to safety, while Henry Schraeder, of Cleveland, drove a wagon to the rear of the building and caught three as they jumped. Other girls sprang into the streets and seven of them were taken to a hospital badly hurt.

Henry T. Shafer, manager of the box factory, said that twenty-six girls and six men were at work when the fire broke out. The bodies recovered were so badly burned as to be unrecognizable.

Minnie Bittner, one of the girls who jumped from the burning building, died while on the way to the hospital, bringing the number known dead to six.

Loretto Link, Margaret Kinsler, Kate Bittner, Gertrude Neidt, Mollie Arnold and Steigerwald, were taken to hospitals suffering from burns and broken limbs. The driver of a fire engine on its way to the fire was crushed when the engine overturned and it was feared he would die. Another fireman was overcome by fire and was said to be in a critical condition.

RAID ON VENICE

Is Made and One Bomb Falls upon the Roof of a Church and Crushes Ceiling.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) ROME, Oct. 25.—Austro-aeroplane last night made two separate attacks with incendiary bombs on the city of Venice, according to an official announcement given out here today. One of the bombs fell upon the roof of a church and crushed the ceiling which was ornamented with sculptures. Another missile fell upon the piazzetta of the cathedral of St. Marks and in front of the ducal palace.

ONE WEEK FROM TONIGHT GOLD SHOWER CAMPAIGN WILL CLOSE

Fine Local Business Men to Count Votes and Determine the Winners.

GET EXTENDED PAYMENTS

May Patterson Leads Campaign With over 300,000 Votes to Her Credit.

At the end of this time and on Tuesday night the votes will be counted and checked by a local board of judges composed of Clarksburg's leading business men, and \$1,600 in gold will be given to the babies who have been found to win it. The first prize is \$500, then there are fourteen other prizes, seven in each district. The first of the district prizes is \$250, then \$125, \$75, \$50, \$25, \$15 and \$10. The prizes are divided equally between the districts except in the case of the grand prize which may be won in either district.

Only Six Working Days Left. Only six working days remain after today in which the gold prizes in one of the greatest circulation campaigns ever attempted in this section of the country, will be won or lost. Most of the candidates whose names have been announced for the honor and whose friends have given them loyal support, seem to appreciate that the days are fleeting and are bending every energy to win, but there are those who are doing little or nothing. These should realize that there yet remains plenty of time in which they can win if they will only get down to business and accept the assistance proffered them by their friends.

Get Extensions. Candidates should secure extensions during the remaining days of the campaign. Extension subscrip-

SERBIA'S POSITION IS GROWING MORE GRAVE AS THE MOMENTS PASS

BULGARIAN QUEEN TURNS TO NURSING AS COUNTRY'S SOLDIERS MARCH TO WAR



Queen of Bulgaria as a nurse.

The Queen of Bulgaria, whose ability as a nurse has been manifested time and again since she established in Sofia one of the finest and best equipped hospitals, has again taken actively to the work which she loves so dearly. The alleviation of the sufferings of her subjects has always been the thing nearest her heart, and so, while the soldiers of her kingdom are marching to war, she is devoting her time and attention to nursing the sick orphans in the orphanages of her country.

SHIELDS ENTRANT IN GRAND EXALTED RULER HANDICAP

Trials Set For Tuesday of Men Charged With Violating Liquor Law.

Trials of Art Waldo, Calvin Swiger and Henry Banks, the last named colored, on charges of violating the prohibition law have been set for 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by Magistrate R. Edward Kidd.

Waldo is charged with selling whiskey to Swiger, Swiger is accused of having liquor in a public place and Banks is also charged with making a sale of whiskey to Swiger. All were arrested by city policemen.

An Official Elks' Publication Declares Him One Who is Likely to Win.

Patrick Henry Shields, of Clarksburg, W. Va., is mentioned as an entrant for the grand exalted rulership handicap. Mr. Shields is familiar with the inner workings of the perpetual motion machine and his knowledge of how things are accomplished may prove to be a valuable asset in case he concludes to start. He's a likeable chap, a successful business man, and has the ability to meet the requirements of the office.

Thus says the American Elk, published in Detroit, Mich., and widely circulated among Elks as one of the official journals of the order. Its publisher, H. E. L. Williams, is well known as a conservative in statement, and in view of that his reference to Mr. Shields is all the more complimentary to him.

The information given by the American Elk concerning Mr. Shields, while coming as somewhat of a surprise as to the probable intention of Mr. Shields, meets with an enthusiastic reception on the part of West Virginia's 7,000 Elks. His candidacy will receive undivided support in his home state. His election to the highest office in the order would be not only a greatly appreciated honor to West Virginia but a distinction to his home lodge of which not only the lodge but his home city would be justly proud.

Mr. Shields has been active in Elkdom since he became a member years ago, active in local, state and national affairs of the order. He is among the very few West Virginia Elks who have held positions of trust in the grand lodge. He is a charter member of the Clarksburg lodge and was its first secretary. He has filled all the stations of the lodge and he served three years as exalted ruler, a distinction no other Clarksburg Elk has had. Minor offices as well have been filled by him and he has always done faithful service on committees of various kinds.

As a grand lodge officer Mr. Shields served several years as elder and at the Rochester convention a few years ago he was elevated to the next highest office in the gift of the grand lodge.

All familiar with the lodge work of Mr. Shields fully agree with the American Elk that he has the ability to meet the requirements of the office.

Invaders Are Said to Have in Hands Nearly All Means of Communication.

GERMANS CROSS DANUBE

Unless Serbs and Allies Strike Sudden Blow First Link to Capital is Forged.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, Oct. 25.—Each succeeding telegram from the Balkans tells of the increasing gravity of Serbia's position. To the north, the Bulgarians and Austro-German forces are within thirty-five miles of joining hands. To the south, half of Serbian Macedonia is in the possession of the Bulgarians. If the report of their capture of Uskup is correct, this would mean that the invaders have in their hands nearly all the means of communication.

The only favorable news from the standpoint of the Entente powers is found in the optimistic report concerning the Franco-Serbian offensive near Kriovak, where the Bulgarians are said to be giving way before a vigorous flank attack. If the British forces have left Saloniki, no news of their movements has been disclosed. Reports from various sources say the Entente powers have revised their original plans and now propose to land a tremendous contingent at Saloniki. This would serve the double purpose of meeting the demands of Greece and of giving effective assistance to Serbia.

Athens reports that the Greek crown prince has gone to Saloniki, where he will view the impending stream of French and British fighting men. It is thought here that the strength of the forces ultimately landed may decide whether Greece will throw its lot with the Allies.

The announcement that the Germans have crossed the Danube at Orava means that the Bulgarians holding Prahova, union of their forces with the Austro-Germans in this quarter is not far off. Unless the Serbs or their allies can strike a sudden blow the first link of the chain from Berlin to Constantinople will be forged.

Fighting on the Riga-Dvinsk front has broken out with renewed intensity. Although the Germans have been losing heavily they have captured the village of Reve, southeast of Riga, and have taken Iloukai, northwest of Dvinsk. The tone of the despatches from Petrograd, however, is hopeful, and while it seems that Riga may fall, the belief is expressed that there will be no recurrence of the familiar Teutonic advance. The general view is that the Germans are planning a final spurt before settling down in winter quarters.

ARMY PROGRAM

of House Committee With of House Committee With President Wilson.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Chairman Hay, of the house military committee, went over the details of the army program with President Wilson today and announced that it would have his hearty support.

Chairman Hay said that he considered the program very conservative and saw no reason why there should be difficulty in getting Congress to adopt it. He added that he would secure as speedy action in the house as was possible.

DIPLOMAT DEAD

German Ambassador to Turkey Succumbs to the Ravages of Failing Health.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 25.—Baron von Wangenheim, German ambassador to Turkey, died Monday. Baron von Wangenheim, who was generally credited with having been a potent influence in bringing about the intimate relations between Germany and Turkey, was taken ill shortly after his recent return to Constantinople after a leave of absence caused by failing health.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) BERLIN, Oct. 25.—Heavy fighting is still in progress for possession of the Baltic port of Riga. The official report given out here today mentions no further progress for the Germans and indicates that the Russians are now on the offensive.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Arthur J. Martin and Beattie Ashcraft and Benson G. Webb and Alice O. Pettit.